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SUBJECT: EC CHEESE COUNTERVAILING PROBLEM

REF: EC BRUSSELS 3624

1. THE EC COMMISSION SPOKESMAN AT THE COMMISSION'S REGULAR NOON PRESS CONFERENCE ON APRIL 24 DISCUSSED THE CHEESE ISSUE IN THE COURSE OF A BRIEFING COVERING A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS.

2. THE SPOKESMAN REVIEWED THE HISTORY OF THE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE USG AND THE COMMUNITY REGARDING EC CHEESE EXPORTS. THE COMMISSION, HE SAID, HAD ARGUED THAT ITS RESTITUTIONS DID NOT JUSTIFY COUNTERVAILING DUTIES BECAUSE DIFFICULTIES OF THE US DAIRY INDUSTRY WERE NOT CAUSED BY IMPORTS OF EUROPEAN CHEESE. HOWEVER, IN AN EFFORT TO SETTLE THE MATTER AMICABLY, THE COMMISSION HAD SUSPENDED RESTITUTIONS ON SEVERAL TYPES OF CHEESE OVER THE COURSE OF RECENT MONTHS. ON APRIL 23 THE COMMISSION MADE A FINAL DECISION IN THE MATTER IT SUSPENDED THE RESTITUTIONS ON EMMENTHALER AND GRUYERE CHEESE IN ORDER TO AVOID A CONFRONTATION AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION. THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE COMMISSION WISHED TO UNDERSCORE THE EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER OF ITS DECISION AND REVEALED THAT REGRETS

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HAD BEEN EXPRESSED WITHIN THE COMMISSION WITH REGARD TO THE US

ATTITUDE.

3. ACCORDING TO THE COMMISSION SPOKESMAN, EC CHEESE
EXPORTS TO THE US, WHICH WERE ESTIMATED AT 50,000 TONS WITH A VALUE
OF ABOUT DOLS 90 MILLION DOLLARS, ARE LIKELY TO BE CUT BY HALF
IN VOLUME AND BY SOMEWHAT LESS THAN HALF IN VALUE.
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